

QT

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Painting & styling

Objectives

- Painting on Widgets
- Color Handling
- Painting Operations
- Style Sheets

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- Painting
 - You paint with a painter on a paint device during a paint event
 - Qt widgets know how to paint themselves
 - Often widgets look like we want
 - Painting allows device independent 2D visualization
 - Allows to draw pie charts, line charts and many more
- StyleSheets
 - Fine grained control over the look and feel
 - Easily applied using style sheets in CSS format

Module Objectives



Covers techniques for general 2D graphics and styling applications.

- **Painting**
 - Painting infrastructure
 - Painting on widget
- **Color Handling**
 - Define and use colors
 - Pens, Brushes, Palettes
- **Shapes**
 - Drawing shapes
- **Transformation**
 - 2D transformations of a coordinate system
- **Style Sheets**
 - How to make small customizations
 - How to apply a theme to a widget or application

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QPainter

- Paints on paint devices (QPaintDevice)
- QPaintDevice implemented by
 - On-Screen: QWidget
 - Off-Screen: QImage, QPixmap
 - And others ...
- Provides drawing functions
 - Lines, shapes, text or pixmaps
- Controls
 - Rendering quality
 - Clipping
 - Composition modes

Painting on Widgets



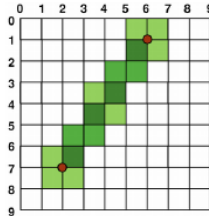
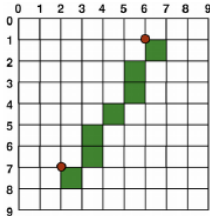
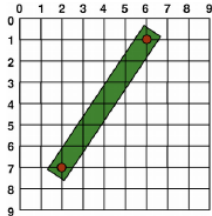
- Override `paintEvent(QPaintEvent*)`

```
void CustomWidget::paintEvent(QPaintEvent *)  
{  
    QPainter painter(this);  
    painter.drawRect(0,0,100,200); // x,y,w,h  
}
```

- Schedule painting
 - `update()`: schedules paint event
 - `repaint()`: repaints directly
- Qt handles double-buffering
- To enable filling background:
 - `QWidget::setAutoFillBackground(true)`

Coordinate System

- Controlled by QPainter
- Origin: Top-Left
- Rendering
 - Logical - mathematical
 - Aliased - right and below
 - Anti-aliased - smoothing

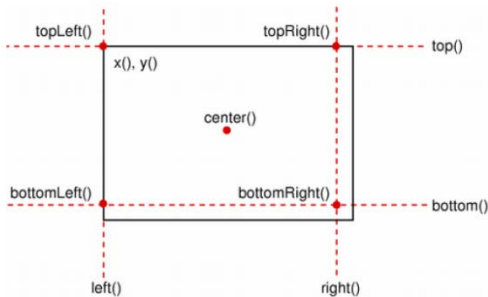


- Rendering quality switch
- QPainter::setRenderHint()

Geometry Classes

- `QSize(w,h)`
 - scale, transpose
- `QPoint(x,y)`
- `QLine(point1, point2)`
 - translate, dx, dy
- `QRect(point, size)`
 - adjust, move
 - translate, scale, center

```
QSize size(100,100);  
QPoint point(0,0);  
QRect rect(point, size);  
rect.adjust(10,10,-10,-10);  
QPoint center = rect.center();
```



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Color Values

- Using different color models:
 - `QColor(255,0,0)` // RGB
 - `QColor::fromHsv(h,s,v)` // HSV
 - `QColor::fromCmyk(c,m,y,k)` // CMYK
- Defining colors:
 - `QColor(255,0,0);` // red in RGB
 - `QColor(255,0,0, 63);` // red 25% opaque (75% transparent)
 - `QColor("#FF0000");` // red in web-notation
 - `QColor("red");` // by svg-name
 - `Qt::red;` // predefined Qt global colors
- Many powerful helpers for manipulating colors
 - `QColor("black").lighter(150);` // a shade of gray
- QColor always refers to device color space

QPen

- A pen (QPen) consists of:
 - a color or brush
 - a width
 - a style (e.g. NoPen or SolidLine)
 - a cap style (i.e. line endings)
 - a join style (connection of lines)
- Activate with `QPainter::setPen()`.

```
QPainter painter(this);
```

```
QPen pen = painter.pen();
```

```
pen.setBrush(Qt::red);
```

```
pen.setWidth(3);
```

```
painter.setPen(pen);
```

```
// draw a rectangle with 3 pixel width red outline
```

```
painter.drawRect(0,0,100,100);
```

The Outline

Rule

The outline equals the size plus half the pen width on each side.

- For a pen of width 1:

```
QPen pen(Qt::red, 1); // width = 1
float hpw = pen.widthF()/2; // half-pen width
QRectF rect(x,y,width,height);
QRectF outline = rect.adjusted(-hpw, -hpw, hpw, hpw);
```

- *Due to integer rounding on a non-antialiased grid, the outline is shifted by 0.5 pixel towards the bottom right.*
- [Demo](#)

QBrush

- QBrush defines fill pattern of shapes
- Brush configuration

- setColor(color)
- setStyle(Qt::BrushStyle)
 - NoBrush, SolidPattern, ...
- QBrush(gradient) // QGradient's
- setTexture(pixmap)



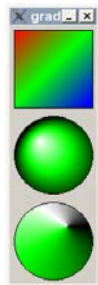
- Brush with solid red fill

```
painter.setPen(Qt::red);  
painter.setBrush(QBrush(Qt::yellow,  
Qt::SolidPattern));  
painter.drawRect(rect);
```

Gradient fills

- Gradients used with QBrush
- Gradient types
 - QLinearGradient
 - QConicalGradient
 - QRadialGradient
- Gradient from P1(0,0) to P2(100,100)

```
QLinearGradient gradient(0, 0, 100, 100);  
// position, color: position from 0..1  
gradient.setColorAt(0, Qt::red);  
gradient.setColorAt(0.5, Qt::green);  
gradient.setColorAt(1, Qt::blue);  
painter.setBrush(gradient);  
// draws rectangle, filled with brush  
painter.drawRect(0, 0, 100, 100 );
```



- [Demo](#)

Brush on QPen

- Possible to set a brush on a pen
- Strokes generated will be filled with the brush



- [Demo](#)

Color Themes and Palettes

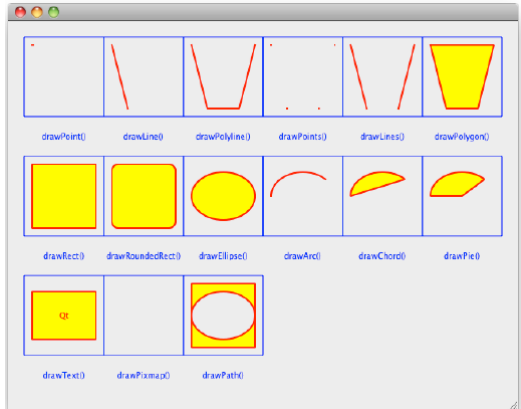
- To support widgets color theming
 - `setColor(blue)` not recommended
 - Colors needs to be managed
- QPalette manages colors
 - Consist of color groups
- `enum QPalette::ColorGroup`
 - Resemble widget states
 - `QPalette::Active`
 - Used for window with keyboard focus
 - `QPalette::Inactive`
 - Used for other windows
 - `QPalette::Disabled`
 - Used for disabled widgets

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Drawing Figures

- Painter configuration
 - pen width: 2
 - pen color: red
 - font size: 10
 - brush color: yellow
 - brush style: solid
- [Demo](#)



Drawing Text

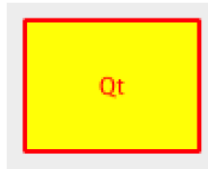
- **QPainter::drawText(rect, flags, text)**

```
QPainter painter(this);  
painter.drawText(rect, Qt::AlignCenter,  
tr("Qt"));  
painter.drawRect(rect);
```

- **QFontMetrics**

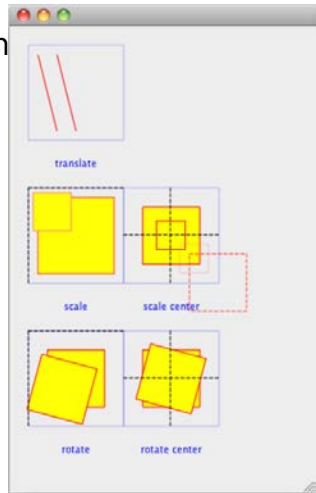
- calculate size of strings

```
QFont font("times", 24);  
QFontMetrics fm(font);  
int pixelsWide = fm.width("Width of this text?");  
int pixelsHeight = fm.height();
```



Transformation

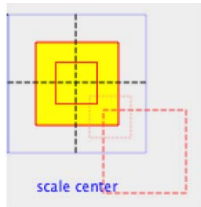
- Manipulating the coordinate system
 - `translate(x,y)`
 - `scale(sx,sy)`
 - `rotate(a)`
 - `shear(sh,`
- [Demo](#)



Transform and Center

- `scale(sx, sy)`
 - scales around `QPoint(0,0)`
- Same applies to all transform operations
- Scale around center?

```
painter.drawRect(r);  
painter.translate(r.center());  
painter.scale(sx,sy);  
painter.translate(-r.center());  
// draw center-scaled rect  
painter.drawRect(r);
```



QPainterPath



- Container for painting operations
- Enables reuse of shapes

```
QPainterPath path;  
path.addRect(20, 20, 60, 60);  
path.moveTo(0, 0);  
path.cubicTo(99, 0, 50, 50, 99, 99);  
path.cubicTo(0, 99, 50, 50, 0, 0);  
painter.drawPath(path);
```

- Path information
 - controlPointRect() - rect containing all points
 - contains() - test if given shape is inside path
 - intersects() - test given shape intersects path
- [Demo](#)

Hands-on

- Lab 7: Pie chart
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Qt Style Sheets

- Mechanism to customize appearance of widgets

- Additional to subclassing QStyle

- Inspired by HTML CSS
- Textual specifications of styles

- Applying Style Sheets

- QApplication::setStyleSheet(sheet)
 - On whole application
 - QWidget::setStyleSheet(sheet)
 - On a specific widget (incl. child widgets)

- [Demo](#)



CSS Rules

CSS Rule

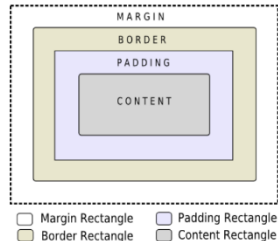
selector { property : value; property : value }

- Selector: specifies the widgets
- Property/value pairs: specify properties to change.
`QPushButton {color:red; background-color:white}`
- Examples of stylable elements
 - Colors, fonts, pen style, alignment.
 - Background images.
 - Position and size of sub controls.
 - Border and padding of the widget itself.
- Reference of stylable elements
 - [stylesheet-reference](#)

The Box Model

- Every widget treated as box
- Four concentric rectangles
 - Margin, Border, Padding, Content
- Customizing QPushButton

```
QPushButton {  
border-width: 2px;  
border-radius: 10px;  
padding: 6px;  
// ...  
}
```



- By default, margin, border-width, and padding are 0

Selector Types

- `*{ }` // Universal selector
 - All widgets
- `QPushButton { }` // Type Selector
 - All instances of class
- `.QPushButton { }` // Class Selector
 - All instances of class, but not subclasses
- `QPushButton#objectName` // ID Selector
 - All Instances of class with `objectName`
- `QDialog QPushButton { }` // Descendant Selector
 - All instances of `QPushButton` which are child of `QDialog`
- `QDialog > QPushButton { }` // Direct Child Selector
 - All instances of `QPushButton` which are direct child of `QDialog`
- `QPushButton[enabled="true"]` // Property Selector
 - All instances of class which match property

Selector Details

- Property Selector
 - If property changes it is required to re-set style sheet
- Combining Selectors
 - `QLineEdit, QComboBox, QPushButton { color: red }`
- Pseudo-States
 - Restrict selector based on widget's state
 - Example: `QPushButton:hover {color:red}`
- [Demo](#)
- Selecting Subcontrols
 - Access subcontrols of complex widgets
 - as `QComboBox, QSpinBox, ...`
 - `QComboBox::drop-down { image: url(dropdown.png) }`
- Subcontrols positioned relative to other elements
 - Change using `subcontrol-origin` and `subcontrol-position`

Cascading

Effective style sheet obtained by merging

1. Widgets's ancestor (parent, grandparent, etc.)
 2. Application stylesheet
- On conflict: widget own style sheet preferred

```
qApp->setStyleSheet("QPushButton { color: white };");
button->setStyleSheet("* { color: blue };");
```
 - Style on button forces button to have blue text
 - In spite of more specific application rule
 - [Demo](#)

Selector Specificity

- Conflict: When rules on same level specify same property
 - Specificity of selectors apply

```
QPushButton:hover { color: white }
QPushButton { color: red }
```
 - Selectors with pseudo-states are more specific
- Calculating selector's specificity
 - a Count number of ID attributes in selector
 - b Count number of property specifications
 - c Count number of class names
 - Concatenate numbers a-b-c. Highest score wins.
 - If rules scores equal, use last declared rule

```
QPushButton {} /* a=0 b=0 c=1 -> specificity = 1 */
QPushButton#ok {} /* a=1 b=0 c=1 -> specificity = 101 */
```
- [Demo](#)

Hands-on

- Try this [demo](#) code and
 - Investigate style sheet
 - Modify style sheet
 - Remove style sheet and implement your own

Application creation

A decorative horizontal bar with a gradient from magenta to purple, ending in a double arrow pointing to the right.



Objectives



- Main Windows
- Settings
- Resources
- Deploying Qt Applications

Objectives

We will create an application to show fundamental concepts

- Main Window: How a typical main window is structured
- Settings: Store/Restore application settings
- Resources: Adding icons and other files to your application
- Deployment: Distributing your application

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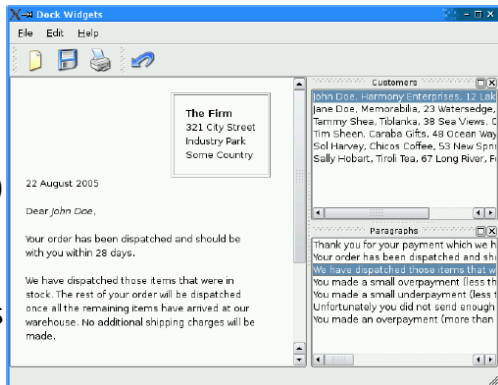
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Application Ingredients

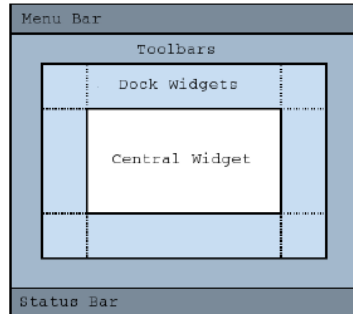
- Main window with
 - Menu bar
 - Tool bar, Status bar
 - Central widget
 - Often a dock window
- Settings (saving state)
- Resources (e.g icons)
- Translation
- Load/Save documents

Not a complete list



Main Window

- QMainWindow: main application window
- Has own layout
 - Central Widget
 - QMenuBar
 - QToolBar
 - QDockWidget
 - QStatusBar
- Central Widget
 - `QMainWindow::setCentralWidget(widget)`
 - Just any widget object



QAction

Action is an abstract user interface command

- Emits signal triggered on execution
 - Connected slot performs action
- Added to menus, toolbar, key shortcuts
- Each performs same way
 - Regardless of user interface used

```
void MainWindow::setupActions() {  
    QAction* action = new QAction(tr("Open ..."), this);  
    action->setIcon(QIcon(":/images/open.png"));  
    action->setShortcut(QKeySequence::Open);  
    action->setStatusTip(tr("Open file"));  
    connect(action, SIGNAL(triggered()), this, SLOT(onOpen()));  
    menu->addAction(action);  
    toolbar->addAction(action);  
}
```

- [Qaction Documentation](#)

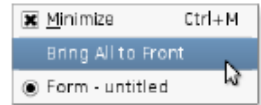
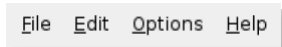
QAction capabilities

- `setEnabled(bool)`
 - Enables disables actions
 - In menu and toolbars, etc...
- `setCheckable(bool)`
 - Switches checkable state (on/off)
 - `setChecked(bool)` toggles checked state
- `setData(QVariant)`
 - Stores data with the action

Menu Bar

- **QMenuBar**: a horizontal menu bar
- **QMenu**: represents a menu
 - indicates action state
- **QAction**: menu items added to **QMenu**

```
void MainWindow::setupMenuBar() {  
    QMenuBar* bar = menuBar();  
    QMenu* menu = bar->addMenu(tr("&File"));  
    menu->addAction(action);  
    menu->addSeparator();  
    QMenu* subMenu = menu->addMenu(tr("Sub Menu"));  
    ...  
}
```



QToolBar

- Movable panel ...
 - Contains set of controls
 - Can be horizontal or vertical
- QMainWindow::addToolBar(toolbar)
 - Adds toolbar to main window
- QMainWindow::addToolBarBreak()
 - Adds section splitter
- QToolBar::addAction(action)
 - Adds action to toolbar
- QToolBar::addWidget(widget)
 - Adds widget to toolbar



```
void MainWindow::setupToolBar() {  
    QToolBar* bar = addToolBar(tr("File"));  
    bar->addAction(action);  
    bar->addSeparator();  
    bar->addWidget(new QLineEdit(tr("Find ...")));  
    ...  
}
```

QToolButton

- Quick-access button to commands or options
- Used when adding action to QToolBar
- Can be used instead QPushButton
 - Different visual appearance!
- Advantage: allows to attach action

```
QToolButton* button = new QToolButton(this);  
button->setDefaultAction(action);  
// Can have a menu  
button->setMenu(menu);  
// Shows menu indicator on button  
button->setPopupMode(QToolButton::MenuButtonPopup);  
// Control over text + icon placements  
button->setToolButtonStyle(Qt::ToolButtonTextUnderIcon);
```

QStatusBar

Horizontal bar

Suitable for presenting status information

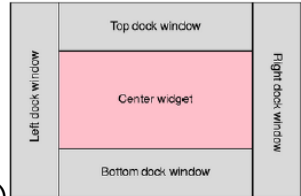
- showMessage(message, timeout)
 - Displays temporary message for specified milli-seconds
- clearMessage()
 - Removes any temporary message
- addWidget() or addPermanentWidget()
 - Normal, permanent messages displayed by widget

```
void MainWindow::createStatusBar() {  
    QStatusBar* bar = statusBar();  
    bar->showMessage(tr( "Ready" ));  
    bar->addWidget(new QLabel(tr( "Label on  
    StatusBar" )));  
}
```

QDockWidget

- Window docked into main window
- `Qt::DockWidgetArea` enum
 - Left, Right, Top, Bottom dock areas
- `QMainWindow::setCorner(corner, area)`
 - Sets area to occupy specified corner
- `QMainWindow::setDockOptions(options)`
 - Specifies docking behavior (animated, nested, tabbed, ...)

```
void MainWindow::createDockWidget() {  
    QDockWidget *dock = new QDockWidget(tr("Title"),  
    this);  
    dock->setAllowedAreas(Qt::LeftDockWidgetArea);  
    QListWidget *widget = new QListWidget(dock);  
    dock->setWidget(widget);  
    addDockWidget(Qt::LeftDockWidgetArea, dock);  
}
```



QMenu and Context Menus

- Launch via event handler

```
void MyWidget::contextMenuEvent(event) {  
    m_contextMenu->exec(event->globalPos());  
}
```

- or signal customContextMenuRequested()
 - Connect to signal to show context menu
- Or via QWidget::actions() list
 - QWidget::addAction(action)
 - setContextMenuPolicy(Qt::ActionsContextMenu)
 - Displays QWidget::actions() as context menu

Hands-on

- Lab 8: Text editor
 - [Objectives](#)
 - [Template code](#)

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QSettings

- Configure QSettings

```
QCoreApplication::setOrganizationName( "MyCompany" );  
QCoreApplication::setOrganizationDomain( "mycompany.com" );  
QCoreApplication::setApplicationName( "My Application" );
```

- Typical usage

```
QSettings settings;  
settings.setValue( "group/value", 68 );  
int value = settings.value( "group/value" ).toInt();
```

- Values are stored as QVariant
- Keys form hierarchies using '/'
 - or use beginGroup(prefix) / endGroup()
- value() excepts default value
 - settings.value("group/value", 68).toInt()
- If value not found and default not specified
Invalid QVariant() returned

Restoring State

- Store geometry of application

```
void MainWindow::writeSettings() {  
    QSettings settings;  
    settings.setValue("MainWindow/size", size());  
    settings.setValue("MainWindow/pos", pos());  
}
```

- Restore geometry of application

```
void MainWindow::readSettings() {  
    QSettings settings;  
    settings.beginGroup("MainWindow");  
    resize(settings.value("size", QSize(400,  
    400)).toSize());  
    move(settings.value("pos", QPoint(200,  
    200)).toPoint());  
    settings.endGroup();  
}
```

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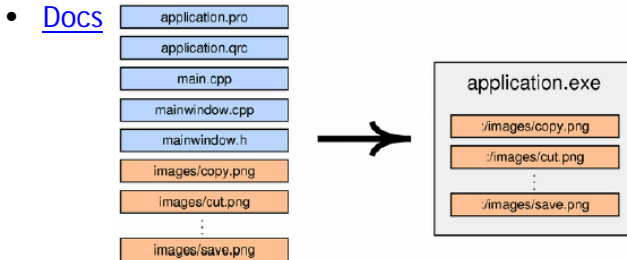


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Resource System

- Platform-independent mechanism for storing binary files
 - Not limited to images
- Resource files stored in application's executable
- Useful if application requires files
 - E.g. icons, translation files, sounds
 - Don't risk of losing files, easier deployment



Using Resources

- Resources specified in .qrc file

```
<!DOCTYPE RCC><RCC version="1.0">
<qresource>
<file>images/copy.png</file>
<file>images/cut.png</file>
</qresource>
</RCC>
```

 - Can be created using QtCreator
- Resources are accessible with ':' prefix
 - Example: ":/images/cut.png"
 - Simply use resource path instead of file name
 - QIcon(":/images/cut.png")
- To compile resource, edit .pro file
 - RESOURCES += application.qrc
 - qmake produces make rules to generate binary file

Hands-On

- Use your previous text editor, to use Qt resource system for icons
- Tip: You can use Qt Creator to create QRC files

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Ways of Deploying

- Static Linking
 - Results in stand-alone executable
 - +Only few files to deploy
 - -Executables are large
 - -No flexibility
 - -You cannot deploy plugins
- Shared Libraries
 - +Can deploy plugins
 - +Qt libs shared between applications
 - +Smaller, more flexible executables
 - -More files to deploy
- Qt is by default compiled as shared library
- If Qt is pre-installed on system
 - Use shared libraries approach
- [Reference Documentation](#)

Deployment

- Shared Library Version
 - If Qt is not a system library
 - Need to redistribute Qt libs with application
 - Minimal deployment
 - Libraries used by application
 - Plugins used by Qt
 - Ensure Qt libraries use correct path to find Qt plugins
- Static Linkage Version
 - Build Qt statically
 - `$QTDIR/configure -static <your other options>`
 - Specify required options (e.g. sql drivers)
 - Link application against Qt
 - Check that application runs stand-alone
 - Copy application to machine without Qt and run it

Dialogs module

A large, horizontal, double-headed arrow graphic spanning the width of the slide. It features a gradient from magenta on the left to dark purple on the right, with a white outline and a shadow effect.



Dialogs and Designer



- Dialogs
- Common Dialogs
- Qt Designer



Dialogs and Designer



- **Custom Dialogs**
 - Modality
 - Inheriting QDialog
 - Dialog buttons
- **Predefined Dialogs**
 - File, color, input and font dialogs
 - Message boxes
 - Progress dialogs
 - Wizard dialogs
- **Qt Designer**
 - Design UI Forms
 - Using forms in your code
 - Dynamic form loading



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QDialog

- Base class of dialog window widgets
- General Dialogs can have 2 modes
- Modal dialog
 - Remains in foreground, until closed
 - Blocks input to remaining application
 - Example: Configuration dialog
- Modeless dialog
 - Operates independently in application
 - Example: Find/Search dialog
- Modal dialog example

```
MyDialog dialog(this);  
dialog.setMyInput(text);  
if(dialog.exec() == QDialog::Accepted) {  
    // exec blocks until user closes dialog
```


Modeless Dialog

- Use show()
 - Displays dialog
 - Returns control to caller

```
void EditorWindow::find() {  
    if (!m_findDialog) {  
        m_findDialog = new FindDialog(this);  
        connect(m_findDialog, SIGNAL(findNext()),  
            this, SLOT(onFindNext()));  
    }  
    m_findDialog->show(); // returns immediately  
    m_findDialog->raise(); // on top of other windows  
    m_findDialog->activateWindow(); // keyboard focus  
}
```

Custom Dialogs

- Inherit from QDialog
- Create and layout widgets
- Use QDialogButtonBox for dialog buttons
 - Connect buttons to accept()/reject()

- Override accept()/reject()

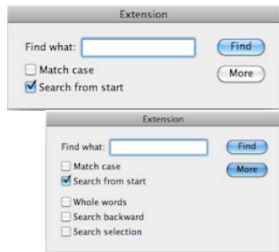
```
MyDialog::MyDialog(QWidget *parent) : QDialog(parent) {
    m_label = new QLabel(tr("Input Text"), this);
    m_edit = new QLineEdit(this);
    m_box = new QDialogButtonBox( QDialogButtonBox::Ok|
    QDialogButtonBox::Cancel, this);
    connect(m_box, SIGNAL(accepted()), this, SLOT(accept()));
    connect(m_box, SIGNAL(rejected()), this, SLOT(reject()));
    ... // layout widgets
}

void MyDialog::accept() { // customize close behaviour
    if(isDataValid()) { QDialog::accept() }
}
```

Deletion and Extension

- Deletion of dialogs
 - No need to keep dialogs around forever
 - Call `QObject::deleteLater()`
 - Or `setAttribute(Qt::WA_DeleteOnClose)`
 - Or override `closeEvent()`
 - Dialogs with extensions:
 - `QWidget::show()/hide()` used on extension
- ```
m_more = new QPushButton(tr("&More"));
m_more->setCheckable(true);
m_extension = new QWidget(this);
// add your widgets to extension
m_extension->hide();
connect(m_more, SIGNAL(toggled(bool)),
 m_extension, SLOT(setVisible(bool)));
```

- [Example](#)



# Dialogs and Designer

- Dialogs
- Common Dialogs
- Qt Designer

# QFileDialog

- Allow users to select files or directories
- Asking for a file name

```
QString fileName =
QFileDialog::getOpenFileName(this, tr("Open File"));
if(!fileName.isNull()) {
 // do something useful
}
```

- QFileDialog::getOpenFileNames()
  - Returns one or more selected existing files
- QFileDialog::getSaveFileName()
  - Returns a file name. File does not have to exist.
- QFileDialog::getExistingDirectory()
  - Returns an existing directory.
- setFilter("Image Files (\*.png \*.jpg \*.bmp)")
  - Displays files matching the patterns

# QMessageBox

- Provides a modal dialog for ...
  - informing the user
  - asking a question and receiving an answer

- Typical usage, questioning a user

```
QMessageBox::StandardButton ret =
QMessageBox::question(parent, title, text);
if (ret == QMessageBox::Ok) {
 // do something useful
}
```

- Very flexible in appearance
  - [Reference documentation](#)
- Other convenience methods
  - QMessageBox::information(...)
  - QMessageBox::warning(...)
  - QMessageBox::critical(...)
  - QMessageBox::about(...)

# QProgressDialog

- Provides feedback on the progress of a slow operation

```
QProgressDialog dialog("Copy", "Abort", 0, count, this);
dialog.setWindowModality(Qt::WindowModal);
for (int i = 0; i < count; i++) {
 dialog.setValue(i);
 if (dialog.wasCanceled()) { break; }
 //... copy one file
}
dialog.setValue(count); // ensure set to maximum
```

- Initialize with setValue(0)
  - Otherwise estimation of duration will not work
- When operation progresses, check for cancel
  - QProgressDialog::wasCanceled()
  - Or connect to QProgressDialog::canceled()
- To stay reactive call QApplication::processEvents()
- See [Documentation](#)

# QErrorMessage

- Similar to QMessageBox with checkbox
- Asks if message shall be displayed again

```
m_error = new QErrorMessage(this);
m_error->showMessage(message, type);
```
- Messages will be queued
- QErrorMessage::qtHandler()
  - installs an error handler for debugging
  - Shows qDebug(), qWarning() and qFatal() messages in QErrorMessage box



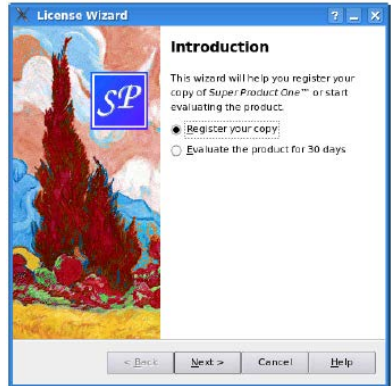
# Other Common Dialogs

- Asking for Input - `QInputDialog`
  - `QInputDialog::getText(...)`
  - `QInputDialog::getInt(...)`
  - `QInputDialog::getDouble(...)`
  - `QInputDialog::getItem(...)`
- Selecting Color - `QColorDialog`
  - `QColorDialog::getColor(...)`
- Selecting Font - `QFontDialog`
  - `QFontDialog::getFont(...)`
- [Example](#)

# Qwizard

## Guiding the user

- Input dialog
  - Consisting of sequence of pages
- Purpose: Guide user through process
  - Page by page
- Supports
  - Linear and non-linear wizards
  - Registering and using fields
  - Access to pages by ID
  - Page initialization and cleanup
  - Title, sub-title
  - Logo, banner, watermark, background
  - [Documentation](#)
- Each page is a QWizardPage
- QWizard::addPage()
  - Adds page to wizard
- [example](#)



# Hands-on

- Lab 9: Dialog
  - [Objectives](#)
  - [Template code](#)

# Summary

- When would you use a modal dialog, and when would you use a non-modal dialog?
- When should you call `exec()` and when should you call `show()`?
- Can you bring up a modal dialog, when a modal dialog is already active?
- When do you need to keep widgets as instance variables?
- What is the problem with this code:

```
QDialog *dialog = new QDialog(parent);
QCheckBox *box = new QCheckBox(dialog);
```

THANK YOU